



Village Connect

Electronic Newsletter

"To Provide a Safe, Quality Community Environment for all Islanders through Responsible Government"

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Place: BZP
Conference Room,
Village Hall

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Time: 7:00 pm
Place: Council
Chamber

Candidate Filing for Office of Mayor Begins

Date: June 8, 2010
Time: 12:00 noon
Place: Clerk's Office,
Village Hall

Last Day of Public

June 2010

"Get To Know..."

Click on the links below to watch video interviews with Councilmembers Michael Kelly and Thomas Thornton.

[View interview with Councilmember Kelly.](#)

[View interview with Councilmember Thornton.](#)

A Message from the Village Manager: Village Monitoring Gulf Oil Spill Developments

The Deepwater Horizon offshore oil drilling rig, located 130 miles southwest of New Orleans, exploded on April 22, 2010 and sank a few days later. Oil and gas continue to spew out of ruptured pipe approximately 5000 feet below the sea surface. The rate of release has caused the oil spill to be designated a Spill of National Significance. Representatives from Alabama, Florida, Louisiana, Mississippi, the U.S government and the Coast Guard have been monitoring the spill. They and oil company personnel are responding as the spill affects the Louisiana shoreline of the Gulf of Mexico, and are attempting to stop the flow from the well. The latest information can be viewed at the following websites:

www.deepwaterhorizonresponse.com

www.dep.state.fl.us/deepwaterhorizon

No indications exist at this time that the oil spill is a threat to Key Biscayne. Residents and tourists are invited to enjoy our beaches. Since the spill, Fire Rescue Chief Gilbert, head of Village Emergency Operations Center, and other officials have been monitoring response efforts and meeting with local, county and state officials. Response plans are being developed should the oil spill affect the east coast of the Florida. The Village is prepared to react and mitigate should this occur.

Prepare Now for Hurricane Season



School

Date: June 9, 2010

**June Bulky Waste
Pick-up Week**

Dates: June 14-18,
2010

**Village Council
Meeting (Zoning)**

Date: June 22, 2010

Time: 7:00 pm

Place: Council
Chamber

**Candidate Filing
for Office of
Mayor Ends**

Date: June 18, 2010

Time: 12:00 noon

Place: Clerk's Office,
Village Hall

**Village Council
Meeting (Budget
Workshop)**

Date: June 29, 2010

Time: 7:00 pm

Place: Council
Chamber

**4th of July
Holiday**

(Village Offices and
Community Center
Closed)

Date: July 4, 2010

Parade

Time: 11:00 am

Location: Crandon
Boulevard

Fireworks

Time: Sunset

Location: Beach

**K-8 Education
Advisory Board
Meeting**

Hurricane Season runs from June 1 through November 30. The Village is in a "Special Flood Hazard Area" owing to its island setting



and low elevation. The major threat to Key Biscayne from tropical storms and hurricanes is flooding from storm surges and rainfall. History teaches that a lack of hurricane awareness and preparation are common threads among all major hurricane disasters. By knowing your vulnerability and what actions you should take, you can reduce the effects of a storm on your property and yourself. You'll also save yourself time, money and worry while providing safety to your loved ones. These reminders are especially important since we have not experienced a significant flood event in several years. All residents and property owners are urged to visit the [Village website's Hurricane and Flood Information section](#) for updated material for the 2010 hurricane season.

The Public Works Department reminds single-family homeowners to take advantage of the June 14-18 bulk trash pick-up week to clean up your yard and garage before Hurricane Season kicks-in.

Sign Up Now for Summer Camp Fun!

The Key Biscayne Community Center offers a wide array of summer camp programs to meet the needs and interests of Key youths. [Follow the link to find out more about this summer's exciting camps:](#)

Key Rat All-day Summer Camp, Key Rat Baseball Summer Camp, All Sports Camp, Basketball Camp, Benny Fragela

All-Star Basketball Camp, Fishing Camp, Flag Football Camp, Marine Biology Camp, Broadway Musical Theatre Workshops, Maria Verdeja Dance Camp, Orchestra Camp, Susana Catturini Dance Workshops.



Information about other programs for kids and teens offered this summer is available [here](#). Don't forget to bring the entire family to the [4th of July parade](#) along Crandon Boulevard, the picnic on the Village Green, and fireworks off the beach!

Water-Sewer-Reuse Project Update

The Village is awaiting word from the Miami-Dade Water and Sewer Department (WASD) that sewer hook-ups can begin in Phase 2 and Phase 3 areas of Zone 2/3. These property owners should be able to connect to sewer by the end of June 2010. Homeowners in other project areas are allowed to connect (Zone 1 excluding several properties along Harbor Point Drive, Zone 4, and Phase 1 of Zone 2/3) as these areas have been conveyed to WASD. Water service to

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Time: 9:15 am
Place: BZP
Conference Room,
Village Hall

**Village Council
Meeting**

Date: July 6, 2010
Time: 7:00 pm
Location: Council
Chamber

**July Bulky Waste
Pick-up Week**

Dates: July 12-16,
2010

**Gracias Por Todo
(Thank you for
Everything)-
Adult Play by
Julio César Castro
Directed by**

Carlos Aguilera
Date: July 18, 2010
Time: 5:30 pm
Place: Community
Center

**Pension Board
Meeting**

Date: July 22, 2010
Time: 5:30 pm
Place: Council
Chamber

**K-8 Education
Advisory Board
Meeting**

Date: Aug. 3, 2010
Time: 9:15 am
Place: BZP
Conference Room,
Village Hall

**Candidate Filing
for Office of**

all homes is now from the new ductile iron pipes. For maps of the Zones and Phases, sewer hook-up guidelines and contact information should you have questions or complaints, visit the [WSR News article at the Village website](#).

**Eight Firms Respond to 530 Crandon Park Design
Request for Qualifications**

In April the Village Council authorized the issuance of a Request for Qualifications to solicit proposals from landscape architectural firms regarding the development of a passive park at 530 Crandon Boulevard opposite the Fire Rescue Station. Eight firms responded. Staff is evaluating these firms and will select 3 to 5 to provide conceptual sketches of what they believe is the best design for the park based on the planning and research reports referenced below. Presentations to Council are expected to take place late June. Council will select the firm based on its qualifications and vision for the park based on the conceptual sketches.

The Village has completed extensive planning and research regarding its recreational and open spaces needs. Results are presented in the [following documents available online at the Village website](#): 2009 IBI Report and Recommendations for Recreation and Open Space and 530 Crandon Boulevard; the 1995 Master Plan; the Evaluation and Appraisal Report (EAR) of the Master Plan (2007); the 2020 Vision Plan (2006) and the 2006 Leisure Vision Recreation Customer Satisfaction and Needs Assessment Survey.

Village Department News You Can Use

Parks and Recreation:

New cardio machines were delivered to the Community Center's Wellness Center on May 21. The 4 treadmills, 2 ARC trainers, 2 recumbent stationary bikes, 1 upright stationary bike, and 1 spinning bike represent a complete replacement of the facility's previous cardio equipment (with the exception of the rowing machine). More information is available at www.activeislander.org.

Public Works:

Single-family home residents are reminded to use the new, dark blue, wheeled Choice recycling bins only for recycling. Please do not use them for household garbage! Weekly recycling pick-up for all streets is on Thursday. Please have your bins available by 7:00 am. Clean, dry items (see the [list at the Village website of what is accepted for recycling](#)) should be placed directly in the bin; no bags are necessary.

Police:

**Councilmember
Begins**

Date: Aug. 9, 2010

Time: 12:00 noon

Place: Clerk's Office,
Village Hall

Officer Vicki Hernandez has released [Summer Safety Tips for kids and parents](#) just in time for summer vacation. The information is divided into bicycle safety with an overview of helmet laws), seat belt safety with enforcement of a stricter 2009 Florida law requiring all to buckle-up, the risks of underage teen drinking, and the perils of distracted driving.

**August Bulky
Waste Pick-up
Week**

Dates: August

16-20, 2010

Comments? Questions? Suggestions? Send an email to jmedina@keybiscayne.fl.gov

**Candidate Filing
for Office of
Councilmember
Ends**

Date: Aug. 19, 2010

Time: 12:00 noon

Place: Clerk's Office,
Village Hall

Your Village Government

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**Village Council
Meeting**

Date: August 31,
2010

Time: 7:00 pm

Place: Council
Chamber

*More information on
these events is
available at the
Village website
Event Calendar*

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